

BASIS FOR CLOSING
A MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON AWARDS AND FACILITIES
ON OCTOBER 17, 2017

On October 9, 2017, the Executive Committee of the National Science Board voted to close the teleconference meeting of the Committee on Awards and Facilities (A&F), scheduled for Tuesday, October 17, 2017 from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. EDT. Board Members Drs. Córdova, Zuber, Souvaine, Jackson and Peterson participated in the e-mail polling of the Executive Committee. All members voted “yes” to close the teleconference. The agenda of the teleconference is: Committee Chair’s opening remarks; and status update on Arcibo.

The Board Members, senior NSF Office of the Director and Program staff, Executive Secretaries, NSBO Executive Officer, Committee Liaisons, Board Counsel, and senior NSBO staff are expected to attend the closed teleconference meeting. The attached certificate provides the justification for closing the meeting.

CERTIFICATE

It is my opinion that the teleconference meeting of the Committee on Awards and Facilities, scheduled for October 17, 2017 may properly be closed to the public under 5 U.S.C. § 552b (c) (4) and 9 (B) regarding trade secrets and confidential commercial and financial information, and disclosure of proposed agency actions that could affect the decisions of a third party, to the detriment the federal government.

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